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CALENDAR of Events

FRIDAY, JAN. 3, 8 p.m. — Legion Hall. Try-out for "Room Service," comedy to be presented by Menlo Players Guild on Feb. 28, 29 and March 1. Invitation open to all interested.

SATURDAY, JAN. 4, 10:30 a.m.—Meeting of Menlo Junior Native Daughters of the Golden West at Central School. Nomination of officers.

SATURDAY, JAN. 4, 8:00 p.m. — Teen-age dance at Ravenswood School auditorium, sponsored by San Mateo County recreation department. $1.00 per couple.

SUNDAY, JAN. 5,—Sierra Club hike of six miles through Coyote Hills Leader, Herman Horn, Sunnyvale 2443.

TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 1:30 p.m.—Initial meeting of the revived Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce, City Hall. Public invited.

TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 7:3 p.m—Stanford Tuesday Evenin Series. Illustrated lecture, "Mu ic of the Out-of-Doors" with ltations of bird calls by Bert Howell of the American Aurubon Society.

TUESDAY, JAN. 7—Menlo Park Woman's Club at resbyterian Church parlors. 12:3 dessert-luncheon. 2:30, progra to which public is invited. Talk by Mrs. Alvina Wipfler of Men Park on "Statues of Madonna from all over the World."

THURSDAY, JAN. 9, 8 p.m. — Meeting for all public irited citizens interested in t Presbyterian Church Assess nt Fund. at Central School Libr .

FRIDAY, JAN. 10, 8:00 .—Meeting of Boy Scout Co il members from all parts of county. St. Paul's Church, Bu game.

FRIDAY, JAN. 10, 2:30 —Menlo Park Parent Teacher ociation meeting at Central Sch Speaker, Miss Braymer, chil sychologist of Berkeley. Subje "Understanding Makes Good ents."

★ Miss Phyllis Gerth o spent the holidays with her p ts, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gerth their home 127 Almendral A e, returned yesterday to con e her studies at Willamette versity, Salem, Oregon. During is' vacation her parents ente ed at dinner. Among the guest e Wallace Baumer, Portland; e Huston, Wichata, Kansas; Ja Clark, Omaha, Nebraska and M Gerth's mother, Mrs. Maxwell L son of Palo Alto

John Wickett To Try Out Fo Ski Olympics

John Wickett of Ather will leave in January for Su alley, Idaho, where he will e the Olympic Ski tryouts. Wi only recently recovered from ac- cident received last year, resulted in a broken back.

Accompanied by Thorn Hall, son of Mayor J. B. Hall of ton, Wickett will make the trip daho and back by airplane.

During his absence his estate office will be mana D. M. Florence.

★ Mr. and Mrs. Harm stle, Laurel Street, have as th ouse guests during the holiday eir daughter and son-in-law, and Mrs. Edwin W. Davis Jr., their two children and their on, Walter Castle of Redding his wife and two children.

On New Years Day the was joined by Mr. and Mrs. Ge Castle of Oakland.

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"It Pays To Help Preve

Open Meeting January 9 For "Presbyterian Relief"

Contributions continue to "trickle in" for the "Presbyterian Relief Fund." The fund was recently "started" by an anonymoups donor who discussed the church's assessment for the improvement of Santa Cruz Ave. with a member of the RECORDER staff, who then wrote the Presbyterians an open letter informing them of her interest, her advice and her donation.

The lady's suggestions met with instant response. A "provisional committee" of public spirited people was formed to take up the problem. This committee has now held three meetings at which it has been proven that the interest in helping the church meet its assessments is widespread—not confined to men and women of any religious faith or business affiliations.

An open meeting for the further discussion of plans is to be held at the Library of Central School on Thursday evening, January 9 at 8 o'clock

Jr. N.D.G.W. Holds Successful Meeting

Margaret Anne Paccioretti played the part of Santa Claus to distribute seasonal gifts when the Menlo Junior Native Daughters of the Golden West held their annual holiday party. The delightful luncheon, which followed the program, was served by Mrs. Marie Rogers, Mrs. Grace Loverich, Miss Bette Rehorst, Mrs. David Carlson and Mrs. Agnes Mosher, while the committee in charge of the party included the Misses Margaret Paccioretti, Janet Hampton, Ellen Campodonico and Joan Derry.

During the business meeting Carol Proctor was initiated into membership by Junior president, Barbara Ferrari and her corps of officers, with music provided for the ceremony by Pricilla Simms.

ELIZABETH HASSELL RECEIVES DISCHARGE

T|Sgt. Elizabeth Hassell, daughter of Mr. J. Henry Hassell of RD 1, Menlo Park, has received her honorable discharge from the WAC at the Fort Dix Separation Center.

Miss Hassell arrived at Fort Dix for processing to civilian status from an assignment as editor of the WAC "News Letter," a publication of the Army Information and Education Branch in New York City. She served in this capacity for a period of ten months and was promoted to her present rank in April, 1946.

A former student at Stanford University, Miss Hassell joined the WAC in December, 1944. She plans to finish college education under provisions of the GI Bill of Rights and has accepted a position with a daily newspaper in Idaho offered to her upon completion of studies toward a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Journalism at Stanford.

BIRTHS

December 25

LESLIE—To Mr. and Mrs. Howard Leslie, 610 Creek Drive, a daughter.

BUGNA—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bugna, 7300 Mills Street, a son.

December 27

ANDRADE—To Mr. and Mrs. ArthurAndrade, a daughter.

December 28

WILDER—To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilder, 725 Cambridge Avenue, a son.

December 29

WHITE—To Mr. and Mrs. Howard White, 236 Park Lane, Atherton, a daughter.

December 30

MADRIGAL—To Mr. and Mrs. Anselmo Madrigal, 490 O'Connor St., East Palo Alto, a son.

MARCOTT—To Mr. and Mrs. Harold K. Marcott, 2033 Cooley Avenue, a daughter.

★ Lois and Betty Bean, Redwood City vocalists, ushered in the New Year at the Veterans Administration hospital Wednesday with songs and musical numbers. The two young talented singers were their own accompanists on the gui-

Local Women Cheer Disabled Veterans

Under the direction of Marie De Forrest Emery of Menlo Park, two units from the Tuesday Morning Choral Club entertained in six of the wards at the Veterans Administration Hospital last Sunday afternoon.

On Monday, while members of the American Red Cross Motor Corps took twenty-five patients on a scenic drive, the Gray Lad's of the San Mateo chapter held parties for other patients in several of the wards at the hospital. Those participating in the different entertainments reported great appreciation among the disabled men.

Heart Attack Fatal To Mrs. Belle Miller

Mrs. Belle Miller, 80, mother of Melvin W. Miller, 530 Morey Drive, Menlo Park died Saturday afternoon at Palo Alto hospital where she had been taken after having a heart attack Thursday.

Mrs. Miller whose home was in Berkeley, had been a guest at her son's home, participating in a family reunion which centered around Capt. Silas Miller, Pan American flier here for the holidays from his home in Bogota, Columbia, South America.

Two of Mrs. Miller's four daughters were here for Christmas, Mrs. Dan Reed of Bakersfield and Mrs. Roy Reynolds of Los Angeles. The other daughters, Mrs. Elmer Henkle and Mrs. Paul Dahlstrand, both of Garden City, Kansas arrived Monday night for the funeral which was held Tuesday at the Chapel of the Flowers in Berkeley. Interment followed at Sunset View Cemetery, El Cerrito.

ROYAL HODGE OFFICER OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Among the 1947 installations of Knights Templar in adjacent communities is that of Royal Hodge of Menlo Park who has been made captain general of the Redwood City lodge.

COAST COUNTIES C. OF C. TO MEET TODAY

The Central Coast area will be represented by delegates from nine counties at a regional meeting of the California State Chamber of Commerce, Friday morning, January 3, at the Clift Hotel in San Francisco.

Highway plans, local government problems, California's new disability benefit law, industrial waste disposals—these are some of the major issues that will be explained by authorities and discussed by the representatives at this meeting. Results of the meeting (and similar ones in other regions) will be presented to the State Chamber's board of directors for determining a program at the coming legislative session.

★ Mr. and Mrs. Earl Covington are here from their home, Grand Junction, Colorado, to spend the holidays with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leonid Bryner at the home of Miss Margaret Williams on Johnson Avenue.

During their visit the Covingtons will attend a performance of H.M.S. Pinafore at Community Center in Palo Alto which Leonid Bryner is singing the role of the bosun.

Miss Williams returned to Menlo Christmas after having attended in Seattle, the wedding of her nephew, Cyril Bryner, to Alma Bracesco.

★ Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Irwin Jr., were hosts this week at a holiday breakfast at their home on Park Lane, Atherton, celebrating their sixth wedding anniversary.

★ The Haven, a patient clubhouse at the veterans Administration hospital run by the AWVS, celebrated the arrival of the new year with dancing and special treats.

Who Should Get It?

EDITORIAL

When a big family receives a Christmas present of cash, there is sure to be controversy over its spending. And if Santa says, "Here is some money for you, provided you use it first for sewers, second for streets, and after that as you see fit,"—well, the average family does not like to have strings tied to its endowments, so the controversy increases.

"We need sewage improvements all right," says an elder son "but we can get along for a while without them, and anyway we can't improve our sewers without improving other people's sewers for we don't have a sewer of our own, so we would be practically giving away two-thirds of our money to help other people!"

"Well, why not?", says a younger daughter. We did not work for this money—it is a gift. Why should it not be used for a purpose that will benefit us all?"

"No! no!," says another son. "We need the money to help pay for the expensive street and sidewalk we have just contracted for and for which we have agreed to pay (from our own pockets). Let's write a letter to Santa and tell him that it isn't fair to ask us to spend his present in a manner that will help other people as well as ourselves."

"Now, Brother" says Sister No. 2, "You know we have already set aside the money for the street and sidewalk, and you know that the sewage problem is one that we must soon meet. I think we should save our Christmas money for this purpose."

And so goes the discussion.

For a deliniation of the family's perplexing problem read "Your City's Business" on Page 2. Then let us know where YOU stand on the expenditure of the Christmas present made to the City of Menlo Park by the State of California.

C. of C. Reorganization Meet Set For Tuesday Night

Menlo Park's Chamber of Commerce will meet on Tuesday evening, January 7, at 7:30, at the City Hall. The revival of this organization is credited to John A. Sullivan, who has worked faithfully for a Chamber of Commerce in the past and who believes that the people of Menlo Park will again rally to its support.

At Tuesday night's meeting new officers of the Chamber will be selected and plans made for future programs and projects. Membership in the Chamber of Commerce is open to any individual who sees in it worthwhile group activity, pledged to the progress of the community.

San Mateo County Population 175,000

Basing its estimate on the number of children enrolled in the elementary grades of the public schools, on employment records, special census of cities, etc., the the California Taxpayers' Association states the population of San Mateo County is at a new high, with 175,000 people estimated to be in the county as of January 1, 1947.

The Federal census of 1940 showed 111,782 people in the county. The present estimate shows a gain of 63,200 persons, or of 57 per cent over the number of inhabitants at the last census.

LIEUT. JOHN SAWYER HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Lieut. John Sawyer, USMC, returned recently from China in time to spend the holidays with his wife, (the former Dickie Donohoe) and their twenty months old daughter, Lynn.

Mrs. Sawyer and the baby have been living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donohoe Jr., at their home in Woodside since her husband was ordered overseas.

For the first time in six years the group enjoyed a holiday reunion.

Among other guests at the Donohome for the party were William and Frances Trippe and William III,the Alfred Whittells, Al and Louise Kok, Mr. and Mrs. Lalor Crimmins, Lalor and John Crimmins, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eyre and daughter, Florence and Ned Eyre who is home from Yale for the holidays

WILLIAM J. ROWS ATTEND ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Rowe and their daughters, Roberta and Mrs. Jack C. Denhart, attended the 55th wedding anniversary celebration of Mrs. Rowe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bethel Coats, at their ranch near Danville, last Sunday.

The Coats family has lived in Mt. Diablo neighborhood for almost 100 years. Mrs. Rowe was born in the house where the reception was held. She is the eldest of three daughters. One hundred guests attended the celebration.

★ Following a tradition (broken during the war) Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rooney of Atherton entertained over the holidays, Mrs. Rooney's sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Bergstrom of Glendale.

The group went south to attend the Rose Bowl game. The two Rooney boys, Robert and Harry, joined in the holiday festivities.

★ Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eyre held open house at their Atherton Avenue home on New Years day entertaining at an eggnog party.

One Man Killed, Others Hurt In Series of Auto Accidents

Eugene M. McGowan, 39, Palo Alto, died Wednesday morning at Palo Alto hospital, following an automobile accident at El Camino and Cedar Street.

Mr. McGowan had left a home where he had been visiting and was crossing El Camino when he was struck by a car driven by Bruce Reid, 232 Hemlock Street, Redwood City.

According to Reid, he did not see McGowan who was dressed in dark clothes. Reid was returning to his home from work at the time of the accident. He was not held.

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Mrs. Stella Hughes, 161 Edgewood Road, received serious injuries last Sunday night when she was struck by a car driven by James F. Dodson, 343 North 15th Street in San Jose.

Mrs. Hughes was crossing the street at 3301 El Camino when she was struck by Dodson's car. She was taken to San Mateo hospital by Ambulance where it was discovered that she had a broken leg and abrasions. Her condition is reported fair

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Last Friday at 7 o'clock, J. E. Kerr, 12 Middlefield Road and Robert Lloyd, Newark, figured in a minor accident on Santa Cruz Ave.

Lloyd was allegedly driving on the wrong side of the street and looking in another direction when he hit the car driven by Kerr. Neither man was hurt.

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Captain George Potter was injured in an automobile accident last Tuesday morning at seven o'clock, when the patrol car he was driving collided with one driven by Dr. H. A. Clattenburg of Redwood City.

Captain Potter, with his red light on and the siren open, was chasing a speeder going east on Santa Cruz Avenue.

According to Dr. Clattenburg, he saw neither the stop signal nor the officer's car. The two cars collided, turning Dr. Clattenburg's car around. Both automobiles were badly damaged. Dr. Clattenburg was not injured, but Potter received a cut near his left eye and numerous abrasions.

He was treated for injuries in the Menlo Police Station by Dr. Clattenburg.

Tax Consultant Here Next Week

Taxpayers of Menlo Park and vicinity who wish aid in computing their income tax reports will find this service right in the Menlo Park branch of the Bank of America on Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

Miss Grace A. Lyddane of the Internal Revenue Service will open an office at the bank on January 7 and 8, between 10:00 a.m. and 3: 00p.m. for the convenience of federal income taxpayers. The notice comes to the RECORDER from the office of the Internal Revenue Service of San Mateo County through James F. Shanley, deputy collector in charge.

Postal Receipts Show Gain In Past Year

Harry B. Morey, Menlo Park postmaster, reports the gross receipts of the postoffice for the year ending December 31, 1946 to be $69,049.07. This amount does not include money orders, postal savings or U. S. Bonds.

While the gross receipt is slightly lower than for the preceding year, it really indicates a remarkable increase in the enlargement of the district, since last year's receipts included those of Dibble Hospital.

Bird Whistler To Be Featured On Series

Of special interest to all bird lovers will be the illustrated lecture next Tuesday evening at Stanford. Bert Harwell of Berkeley, who was formerly the naturalist at Yosemite and has been heard on coast to coast broadcasts many times, will be the entertainer at the regular Tuesday Evening Series resumed next week after the vacation period.

Mr. Harwell is a representative of the National Audubon Society. He has studied birds and their habits in the deserts, valleys and mountains of America. A part of his lecture consists of his whistled imitations of bird calls. He has appeared on the Stanford Series before and is sure to have a large audience.

VETS ATTEND EAST-WEST GAME, OTHERS ENJOY HOLIDAY AT HOME

Thirty-nine football enthusiasts from the Veterans Administration hospital were among the 62,000 at the opening kickoff of the East-West classic at Kezar stadium New Year's Day. Patients were guests of William P. Kyne. Transportation was furnished them by the Palo Alto Kiwanis Club.

★ Visiting Mrs. Emma Bressman at her home on Oak Grove Avenue, during the New Year holiday, are her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riccobono of Los Angeles.

ENGAGED

Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Da Mant, 495 O'Connor Street, announced the engagement of their daughter, Joan, to Eugene Mowell of Paterson, New Jersey.

Joan is the only daughter of the Da Mants. She was graduated from Sequoia. Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Mowell of Patterson.

The couple met while Mowell was stationed at the Alameda air base, where he served as an instructor. He is now an engineering student at Purdue University in Layfayette, Indiana.

Definite plans as to the wedding date will be made later.

Former Resident Dies In The City

Funeral service were held at the Julius Godeau Mortuary Chapel in San Francisco for Thomas Henry Turner, a former resident of Menlo Park and Atherton.

Mr. Turner was the husband of Nellie A. Turner, father of Jeanne Turner Dacher of Belvedere and Ilah Ruth Turner of San Francisco. He was a native of Michigan, aged 69 years; a veteran of the Spanish-American war and a member of Company K, Fourth US Cavalry.

Interment was in Golden Gate National Cemetery.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

A marriage license was issued in Redwood City this week to Edwin Jones and Jeanette Spaulding both of Menlo Park.

Start the New Year Right

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Now Is The Time

Have you a private swimming pool? No? Well, neither have we, but there are a few scattered in the Menlo Park and Atherton hills.

Have you a little gold fish pond? Well, yes, many of you are the lucky owners of these delightful bits of landscape decoration, even if we are not.

Do you have any tin cans or other water containers in your yard? Any tree-holes, mud puddles, eave troughs holding leaves and water? In other words is there any water around your place that is not potable?

"Potable" (rhymes with notable) was a new word to us until Richard H. Thomas stopped in to chat about the Aedes Dorsalis and various species of the Culex, the while he explained to us that their common enemy, the Gambusia Affinis possessed voracious appetites.

To save your time we looked up potable,—it means drinkable. The question then becomes, "Do you have any water on your place that is not drinkable?" The other fancy terms are the names of mosquitos and of the little mosquito fish.

Thomas' tale is an interesting one, though he takes it as a serious responsibility. The story goes:—Several years ago an initiative measure was presented to the voters of San Mateo County that resulted in the approval and formation of the Pulgas Mosquito Abatement District, stretching from Bay Meadows to San Francisquito Creek and from the western hills to the bay. Young Mr. Thomas is the present superintendent of the district, and he knows his mosquitos,—their history, habits, habitats, and he knows the measures to take for their abatement.

We learned that the four stages in the life of a mosquito are egg, larva, pupa and the adult as we meet him or her. (We forgot to ask if both sexes bite.) Since no mosquito can reach maturity by any shorter route there are three stages in which to catch the critter before it can buzz. Eggs and larva may be eaten by birds and fish or come to grief in some other manner, but the large percentage reach the active pupa or "wiggler" state and only continual vigilance can defeat their transformation into the mosquitos they intended to become.

Now dampness alone (in grass or foliage) will not suffice for a "wiggler,"—he must have water in which to wiggle. In cold weather he may extend his wiggling period to as long as three weeks or a month. In warm weather he can compress this part of his evolution into six days. When he is ready to make the transformation from a swimmer to a creature with wings he stages one of the neatest acts of Nature. He uses a small round portion of the pupa shell (from which he emerges) as a tiny raft on which to float until his wings get dry so he can take off on his own. It is for this reason that bird baths are not listed as mosquito breeding places,—the water is frequently changed and more frequently agitated so the fairy-like rafts are upset and the baby mosquitos drown.

The officers of the Pulgas Mosquito Abatement District ask your cooperation. When breeding places are located the destruction of the wigglers is not too difficult. Even if not in active use the swimming pool should be kept clear, or it should be drained and dried. Wigglers do not live in clean, pure water,—they must have some organic matter. Eaves of houses, holding rain water and dead leaves, are a perfect environment for them, as are old tin cans and other vessels containing water with some form of dirt or vegetation. One septic tank that is not kept sanitary can breed enough wigglers to send forth an army of mosquitos that will buzz around for a mile in all directions.

Oil, said Mr. Thomas, is used only as a temporary measure where it is not possible to remove the water and dry up the area, but its use is very valuable in fields where there is not drainage and the water stands.

If you have a fish pond (of any size) your best bet to combat the wigglers is to make a home for the Gambusia Affinis, mentioned above. His better known name is American Top Minnow and his nick-name is Mosquito Fish. These little fellows will not interfere with your gold fish and (wonder of wonders) they adjust the degree of their multiplication to the size of their confines. They eat both larva and pupa,—hence no mosquitos come from their ponds. You do not even have to search for these fish or pay for them as the Abatement board will make you a present of all you need to start the game going.

Perhaps you are thinking, "Why bring all this up now; there are no mosquitos in January." Says the wise Mr. Thomas, "In the latter part of January and in February the pests begin to hatch out rapidly in northern California."

We, the citizens of San Mateo County, voted for this project. Its funds all come from our county. Let us avail ourselves of its service, its advice and its free fish. Call for the Sanitary Section of the Health Department at the County court house.

Portal To Portal

"Portal to portal pay." What a euphonious phrase! One wonders if its very rythm will not induce Congress (as its meets today) to give the issue priority rights. Or should it first attend to Bilbo?

Since the Senate investigating committee has adjudged the southern senator to be "ethically and morally unfit to sit in the House" (regardless of whether his election be proved authentic) it will be interesting to see if there are enough Democrats of this opinion joining forces with the Republicans to unseat the man. In any case he is but an individual "gone wrong" in a world full of "grob."

But the "portal to portal pay" situation (with its billions of dollars of law suits for back compensations) is not a matter that concerns one man or one man's political beneficiaries. It is a movement of gigantic proportions, involving millions of people. To demand back portal to portal pay, as the C.I.O. unions are doing, seems too unreasonable for comment. The A.F.L. unions' intention to incorporate portal to portal pay in future contracts is but another measure to increase their daily wages. Their success in such wage arbitrations remains to be seen.

But euphonious as the phrase sounds we find the portal to portal pay a prosaic idea. With this arrangement the moment a man enters his place of work he becomes a thing employed,—not an artisan whose labors are worthy of his hire but a hunk of flesh and blood holding the conviction that the world owes it a living, or so it too often appears.

We approve the highest possible wages that employers can afford to pay, but we deplore the irresponsibility and the championed incompetency that are so obvious in the acts and the attitudes of many young workers today.

Do they "get away with it," which is their intention and their boast? We think not. But the pity is that these young people do not realize that they are but clipping their own wings. Too late they learn that the real compensations of life come only from services honestly rendered.

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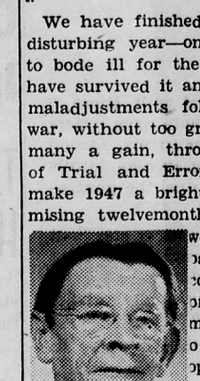
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LOUIS J. STELLMAN

We have finished a difficult and disturbing year—one that seemed to bode ill for the future—but we have survived it and the inevitable maladjustments following a world war, without too great a loss; with many a gain, through the process of Trial and Error, which should make 1947 a bright and even promising twelvemonth for the entire world. Russia, apparently, has discovered that a program of pragmatic, and, too-often senseless, opposition to the aims and plans of other nations does not pay. At times, during the year just ended, it seemed useless to hope for any such contribution toward a world schedule of Peace. But Russia has accomplished it through a better understanding of her western neighbors or a wiser approach to world-bargaining. Whether it was due to either or both matters little compared with the fact that United Nations has become more of a parliamentary body and less of a Donnybrook Fair.



In our own country, John L. Lewis has learned the hard way, that Autocracy—especially the selfish and arrogant type—will not work. Labor and Management in general have been forced into a deeper and more practical regard for the public welfare through the inflation which, last year, resulted from the bulldog methods of Union bosses to implement higher wages and the almost naive insistence of Industrialists that buyers should bear the burden. Failure on the part of the public to accept this outrageous and undeserved penalization has left retailers, for the most part, holding the bag, but only until such a time as re-orders, at a rate permitting reasonable profits passes the consumers' strike on to manufacturers themselves.

All these experiments in Selfishness, Greed and Short-sightedness have been weighed in the balance and found wanting. Few of the big shots have been able to escape the handwriting on the wall and it is only reasonable to expect that they are more wiling to play ball during the months to come.

What a predominantly Republican Congress will accomplish is more difficult to predict. Thus far there has been a lamentable lack of Unity or Public Spirit among the acknowledged leaders. No great moral fortitude has been displayed

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MENLO MINIATURES

Like an exquisitely radiant figurine Lydia stands poised upon the stairs, holding her bridal bouquet high above her head.

The wedding had been a perfect one. As they walked from the church into the afternoon sunlight the bride and groom looked like a pair of angels. At the home of the bride's parents many friends of the family are now gathered to congratulate the happy couple. The wedding cake is cut; toasts are drunk to their prosperity and joy.

The little bride, whose charming dress is fashioned from the nylon cloth of her beloved's parachute and trimmed with lace, must now change her gossamer veil and train for a practical traveling suit. With dark eyes flashing she stands on the stairs prepared to toss down her bouquet.

Huddled together in the hall below are a dozen excited girls, each secretly longing to be the one to make the lucky catch. Lydia coyly covers her eyes with one hand, whirls around like a dancing lily and tosses the flowers over her shoulder.

Alas, they do not fall gracefully among the waiting maidens but head straight for the wall over the stairs. Then drop with a thump upon the head of wee Little Sister who has slipped bashfully under the banister to watch the bride perform the traditional act!

—Miriam Avid

FROM OUR READERS

We invite letters to the RECORDER, requesting that they be moderate in length and carry authentic signatures—The Editors.

TRY A CANOE

To the Editor:
Menlo Park Recorder

For some time I have been trying to get something done about the street work on Menlo Avenue, but so far I have not been able to do much. If you could have seen the condition of this street after the last rain I'm sure you would give me your support in trying to get the City Council to approve this project as soon as the weather permits.

As I understand it, various people have tried to get the street work, sidewalks, curbs and gutters put in, but there seem to be about 51 or 52 per cent of the people on this street who would rather walk in mud and water up around their ankles about four months out of the year, than to put up the necessary funds to put this project over.

Although I do not own any property on this street myself, I have lived here for four years which should give me some interest in the matter.

After the last rain I walked out

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Your City's Business

CHARLES P. BURGESS

The City Council has applied to the State of California for a grant of $28,937.74 to meet a portion of the cost of widening Santa Cruz Avenue between El Camino and University Drive. If the application is acted upon favorably, a substantial refund should accrue to assessment payers on the Santa Cruz Ave. Project.

The sum of money applied for is the City of Menlo Park's share of the $90,000,000 apportioned to city and county governments by the State of California for essential public works, sometimes referred to as the "Christmas Tree" bill. In the case of the City of Menlo Park, however, Santa Claus had a rather perplexing string attached to the Christmas gift. To insure the use of the money for constructive purposes only, the bill specified a series of priorities, which in the case of cities (but not counties) named sewage collection and disposal as number one. Major streets is next specified. The sewage priority is so tight, however, that the State Department of Finance may not ap-

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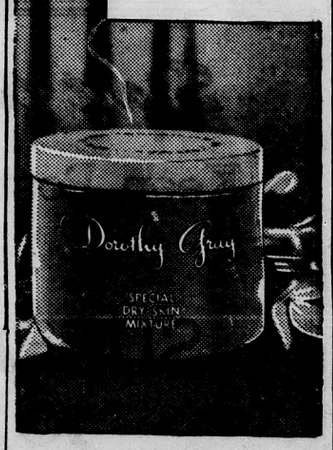
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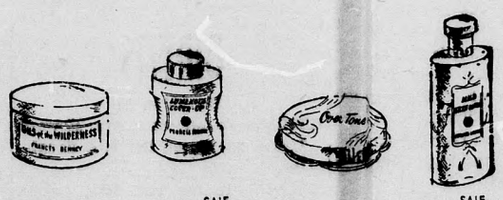


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The Rector, the Rev. Eric W. Jackson, will preach at the 11 o'clock service on Sunday, January 5. Monday will be the Feast of the Epiphany. There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 10:30 a.m. The annual parish meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 10, when there will be a pot-luck dinner at 7 o'clock, folowed by the business meeting. All intending to be present at the dinner are asked to phone Mrs. W. F. Jewett P.A. 2-3586 or Mrs W. P. Gulick, P.A. 2-3895.

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The Walther League young people's organization of the church, will meet at the church parish hall at six o'clock Sunday evening.

OPEN HOUSE

Following their traditional custom for the last decade, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Genasci held open house on New Years eve at their home on Harvard and the Highway, where they welcomed their many friends and neighbors.

Miss Audrey Chompion, Mrs. Genasci's niece from Canada, who is still enjoying her stay in Menlo Park, had previously met many localites from her home land.

• It was open house during the holiday season at the Daniel Jackling home in Woodside with the traditional eggnog party. Guests found a double pleasure in the holiday visit—a social occasion and a celebration of Mrs. Jackling's recovery from the serious injuries received when she was thrown from her horse last year.

MARRIAGES

PRINGLE-GEARY

A scion of an early California family, Kathleen Pringle, was married last Thursday night to Col. John A. Geary III.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Covington Pringle, former residents of Menlo Park now living at Woodside.

The groom was graduated from West Point. He served during World War II with the paratroopers. He was retired after having been injured.

The marriage service was read by the Rev. Ward of Redwood City, in front of the fireplace in the Pringle living room at their home in Wood? side.

The bride wore a dress of turquoise with matching veiled turban. Her bouquet was white orchids

Mrs. Thomas Ambrose, a cousin of the bride, was her only attendant. She wore a pearl gray dress and white hat. She carried a bouquet of camelias.

Col. John Geary was his son's best man.

The newlyweds will spend their honeymoon in the Sierras.

BRUNTON-ALLAN

Marilyn Brunton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Brunton of Atherton, was married to Ralston Wilson Allan Jr., only son of Mr and Mrs. R. W. Allans of San Francisco.

The ceermony was performed in San Francisco. The bride was escorted to the altar by her father. She wore an aqua suit, a halo of pink flowers on her head and carried a bouquet of white orchids.

Her only attendant was her sister, Bonnie Brunton, who wore a beige tailor suit with a hat fashioned of blue flowers and carried a bouquet of gardenias.

Thomas Nelson Jr., of San Francisco was best man. The ushers were the bride's brother, Jack Brunton, who arrived the day before the wedding from Marine base in San Diego and Mark Bearwald of San Francisco.

A reception for 100 guests was held after the wedding, at the Peninsula Country Club.

The newlyweds will spend the winter in San Francisco. They will make their permanent home on the Peninsula later in the summer.

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BRACESCO-BRYNER

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bracesco returned from Seattle Monday where they attended the December 22 wedding of their daughter, Alma, to Cyril Bryner of Menlo Park.

The couple was married in St. James Cathedral with Mrs. Bracesco as matron of honor and Mr. Bracesco as best man.

The bride wore a beige tailor suit with matching accessories and an orchid corsage. She carried a silver rosary, a gift from Rev. Mother Superior of the San Francisco College for Women on Lone Mountain.

Following the wedding a dinner, attended by 14 guests was held at the Roosevelt hotel.

The newlyweds left December 26 for their future home in Fairbanks. Alaska.

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. Ohler held open house to which friends and neighbors were invited. Mrs. Ohler served tasty refreshments to her guests who also enjoyed music and singing of Christmas carols.

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On this 9th day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty six before me Wallace Hills Brown, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared WALLACE CARSTEN LESLIE known to me to be the person described in, whose name is subscribed to and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in said County, the day and year in this Certificate first above written.

(SEAL)

Wallace Hills Brown, Notary Public in and for said County and State. My Commission Expires November 15, 1948.

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Deaths

EUGENE C. WEBB

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at the Tinney Mortuary Chapel in Palo Alto for the Rev. Eugene C. Webb who died at him home in Menlo Park.

Mr. Webb was the husband of Alice Webb and father of Mrs. Jessie Fiske and Mrs. Minnie Cox and brother of Mrs. Ella Smith and Mrs. Lora Smith. He was a native of Iowa, aged 81 years. Interment was in IOOF Cemetery, Modesto.

★ During the holidays Mrs. J. W. Leggett of Atherton entertained her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Leggett of San Mateo, and their two children; her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacNeill and their three children and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wagner.

Mrs. Legget's brother-in-law and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Leggett of Menlo Park also had a holiday gathering, entertaining his sister, elizabeth Leggett, and their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Robert D. Leggett of San Francisco.

Power Of Women On The Increase in the United States

If 1947 is not an improvement over 1946 in our country this deplorable failure cannot be laid entirely at the feet of the men of America. If the following statistics, given by Mrs. LaFell Dickinson, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in America, are as authentic as we take them to be the power of women is continually increasing. However, the final fact will give many a female cause to ponder over the advantages of their majority.

Women own over 70 per cent of the Nation's private wealth.

Over 65 per cent of the Nation's savings accounts.

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Over 44 per cent of the Nation's public utilities.

Over 40 per cent of the real estate.

They pay over 80 per cent of inheritance taxes.

They are beneficiaries of 80 per cent of life insurance policies.

They disburse over 85 per cent of family incomes.

They buy over 80 per cent of the Nation's consumer goods.

There are 1,171,948 more women than men in America who are over 21 years of age.

• Mrs. Mildred Graf and her little daughter, Doris, are here from their home in Manhattan Beach as house guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Thomas, 449 Oak Grove Avenue.

Mrs. Thomas' sister, Mrs. H. L. Walters of San Francisco was at the Thomas home on Christmas day. With the two Thomas boys, Robert and Alexander, out of the service and home again, Christmas was a happy day for all of them, not excluding the terrier's, Temmy and Skippy, and the two cats, Woosey and Chin-Chin.

The group had dinner New Years day with Mrs. Walters in San Francisco.

"Challenge of Scouting" Subject of Talk January 10

"Challenge of Scouting to the Community" will be the subject of a talk delivered to members of the San Mateo County Boy Scout Council when they gather from all parts of the county next Friday night, January 10, at 8 o'clock in St. Paul's church in Burlingame.

C. J. Carlson, regional scout executive for five western states and Hawaii, is the guest speaker to present this subject to the troop and pack leaders and the unit committeemen who have been issued invitations to attend the meeting. Edward A. Barrer, county scout executive, will close the evening with an outline of the objectives set for the council on the basis of its enrollment of 7500 boys and adults.

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• It was open house practically all Christmas week for Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ohler at their new home on University Drive.

Festivities started with a Christmas, dinner when the Ohlers had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Schuler of Milbrae, Corp. Rose Majarian of San Francisco and Mrs. Etta Lightner of Palo Alto.

Corp. Majarian, who has been stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco, was Mrs. Ohler's house-guest over Christmas. She is now en route to Washington, DC.

Among those present were Mrs. Gordon Bowles, Mrs. Milton Walsh, Mrs. Edna Crane-Burchfield, Mrs. Frances Maloney, Elmer Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Burke of Mountain View, Mrs. Emma Arjo and Mrs. Bertha Wagner of Palo Alto and Mrs. Miller who is here on a visit from her home in North Dakota.

★ Mr. and Mrs. John O. Dresser were hosts at a New Years day cocktail party at their home in Atherton. Thirty guests from San Francisco, Woodside and peninsula cities were present.

Last Saturday evening the Ohlers were hosts at another open house and Monday Mrs. Ohler entertained at luncheon with a reception in the afternoon.

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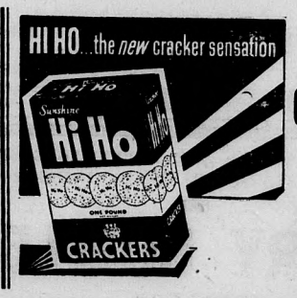
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YOUR CITY'S BUSINESS
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prove city projects other than sewage unless the State Department of Public Health certifies that the city has no sewer problem that is not provided for.

Menlo Park was the forgotten man when the terms of the bill were drawn. For this city is almost unique in being included in a sanitary district and composing only a minor part of said district. The city government has no ownership, control or responsibility for the sewage collection and disposal system that blankets this city, a portion of Atherton, and a great expanse of unincorporated territory. Atherton's apportionment is substantially smaller than Menlo Park's, and that city is located in two different sewer districts. The County is under no legal obligation to allocate any of its money to sanitary work, and has announced that it will not do so. Menlo Park's assessed valuation of $3,063,000 is only a third of the sanitary district's $9,186,000, so that for our city to assign our money which was allocated to our people on the basis of our population is tantamount to giving away two-thirds of the money belonging to the people in our city limits.

Inquiries made of State officials resulted in acknowledgment of our unusual status, but no ruling can be given until an actual application has been made. This we are now doing. The City Council has recognized all along that there is a general as well as a local benefit involved in the Santa Cruz Avenue Project, and has regretted that lack of available funds has resulted in a general city contribution of only five per cent of the total cost. The grant applied for is equivalent to almost fifteen per cent of the total cost of the project, and is almost equal to the entire general city tax levy this year. The Council further recognizes that not all of the assessment payers stand to benefit equally from a commercial standpoint from the Project, and to some (the Presbyterian Church, for instance) it is a considerable financial burden. For these reasons, therefore, we are particularly anxious that the money accrue entirely for the benefit of the people of the city, and not be transferred to an entity supported only by a third by our city taxpayers.

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in the Bilbo case and no worthwhile leaders have arisen from the G.O.P. Stassen, by his eagerness to seize the presidential nomination a year ahead of time has not improved his chances. Taft and Bricker are doing their best to neutralize one another and Dewey has added few laurels to his somewhat faded crown.

Meanwhile President Truman, by prudent and well-considered administration, has improved his chances for a nomination in 1848, which many people in Washington and elsewhere believe he does not covet. Politics, in this otherwise hopeful and reconstructive period, remain a scrambled and not too savory mess.

But, let us take heart in the knowledge that we have a great and free commonwealth which has thus far met all its tests, if not without turmoil, at least with ultimate dignity and success. I am betting on Young Nineteen Forty-Seven. And I wish you all a happy New Year.

● Mrs. F. L. Lowe is here from her home in Los Angeles as the houseguest of her grandson, Robert K. Martindale and Mrs. Martindale, 1054 Arbor Road.

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FROM OUR READERS

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It seems to me that a town that is growing as fast as Menlo Park could surely take care of such an unsightly street as this is.

Thank you,
RAY THOMPSON
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STOP ON YOUR WAY BACK

Editor, Menlo Park Recorder::

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On our way to the southern part of Sunny Cal. (for a winter vacation) we stopped over night with friends in your lovely little city, and I ran across an article in your provocative weekly paper indicating that you have no Chamber of Commerce. What is the cause of this? Do not your people understand the great benefit that a well conducted Chamber of Commerce can be to a growing community? Do you not realize that there are many very desirable things of a public nature that can be accomplished only by an organization of business and profesional men and women?

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Sincerely yours,
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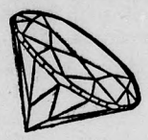
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